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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/629,547

Applicants: Patrick A. GANE, et al.

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For: NEW FILLER OR PIGMENT OR PROCESSED  
MINERAL FOR PAPER, IN PARTICULAR A  
PIGMENT CONTAINING NATURAL CaCO<sub>3</sub>, ITS  
MANUFACTURING PROCESS, PREPARATIONS  
CONTAINING IT AND THEIR APPLICATIONS

Group Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: D.R. CORDRAY

SIR:

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**Request for Reconsideration - 16 pgs.**

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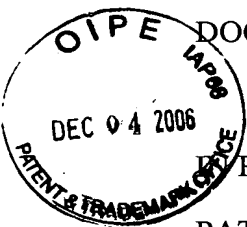
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Responsive to the Office Action dated September 7, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.